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Skills For A Lifetime

*1st Semester
Exam Dates:
Tuesday,
December 20th
&
Wednesday,
December 21st
Attendance Is
Required*

STUDENT SUCCESS AT SST

Now is the time for you to be talking to your child about the future. Now is the time to ensure that your child's goals and dreams will be achieved. Whether you have a senior at SST who is planning on college, the military, or the workforce, or a sophomore or junior who would like to return to SST, it is time to think about next year. Parents play a critical role in the success of their children. You must ensure that your child attends school every day, homework is completed, college applications are done on time, and that your child has your support – support that includes high expectations and firm boundaries. More than anyone else, students take their cue from you, the parents.

One of the roles SST plays in support of your child is a partnership with parents. Please take advantage of this partnership and call when you have concerns, need help keeping the expectations high or have questions about a class. Students always succeed when parents work closely with teachers. One way you can partner with us is by joining our Parent's Advisory Council for Teachers (PACT). The next PACT meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 18, at 6:30 p.m. Please join us.

Juniors need to position themselves now for a seat in their SST program next year. As you know, juniors are not guaranteed a seat at SST in their senior year. The criteria upon which a student earns a seat are as follows: 60% of the decision has to do with a student's post-secondary interests and goals. In other words, what are his or her plans after high school and how do those plans relate to the SST experience. 20% is based on attitude and 20% relates to grades. Talk to your child about these criteria to ensure he or she will set and achieve goals for next year.

Margaret Callahan, Assistant Principal - 775-8958

2005 HOLIDAY RECESS

The last day before the holiday break for AM and MID session students is Thursday, December 22. The last day for PM session students is Wednesday, December 21. All students return on Tuesday, January 3, 2006.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION STUDENTS ATTEND FCCLA RALLY

25 students attended the annual FCCLA Fall Rally held at Camp Carpenter in Manchester, NH. Members learned about the mission, goals and national programs of FCCLA through a variety of indoor and outdoor activities. Members learned square dancing as a part of the national Student Body program and then taught square dancing to the children of The Wright Start Preschool! The chapter participated in many other activities to promote teamwork and cooperation. Seacoast FCCLA earned

a gold medal in the name tag contest and a silver medal in the poster contest. Additionally, FCCLA members have been working with Main Street School students in the Breakfast Buddy program and have been volunteering babysitting services during Exeter PTO meetings on Wednesday evenings.

KATRINA'S KIDS HOLIDAY EXPRESS

In an effort to provide toys for children affected by the hurricane, students from both Automotive Technology classes joined forces with Katrina's Kids Holiday Express. Katrina's Kids is a nationwide effort, sponsored by Chevrolet Dealers, to help people in the Gulf Coast. Locally, Foss Motors accepted toy donations from SST students and drove, in a growing convoy of trucks, to the Gulf Coast.

Marketing Education students conducted their annual Food Drive in order to help local families in need. In addition to collecting food each day during the drive, Marketing students created an eye-catching display in their store window featuring all the food and toys collected throughout SST.

In an effort to increase participation for both causes, Principal Nancy Pierce challenged all students and classes to donate, looking for 100% participation in both the food and toy drive. Classes with 100% in both drives include: AM Session, Automotive Technology (AT), Biotechnology (BI), Early Childhood Education (EC), Health Sciences (HS); MID Session, AT, BI, Digital Communications (DC), EC, HS, Marketing Education (ME); PM Session, Automotive Collision (AC), BI, EC, ME, Technology Careers (TC).

BUILDING TRADES STUDENTS RAISE THE ROOF!

The Building Trades students, under the leadership of Mr. Gerkin, have reached another milestone in construction of the "Maintenance Building" for the new Exeter High School. The first 25-foot section of the main roof has been prefabricated, assembled, and landed in position with the help of a crane. Teamwork was a major factor in reaching this milestone.

MARKETING STUDENTS TRAVEL TO VERMONT AND ATTEND DECA OUTWARD BOUND LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Ten members of the SST DECA Chapter attended the North Atlantic Regional Conference in Burlington, Vermont, November 10-13. DECA members throughout the North Atlantic were in attendance for the productive weekend which included various workshops, a scavenger hunt on Church Street and many opportunities to meet and network with new people. DECA members included: Kim Archambault of Epping, Matt Coffey, Anton Capria, Nicole Knight and Kathryn Sarhanis of Exeter, Katelyn Jones of Newmarket, Matt Law and Ryan Higgins of Sanborn and Renna Muhieddin of Winnacunnet.

On October 18 Marketing Education students attended the DECA Outward Bound Leadership Conference at the Center of New Hampshire in Manchester. AM students included: Kim Archambault and Heather Hill from Epping, Entina Bounnavong, Katelyn Jones, Josh Letourneau-Desmond from Newmarket, Colby Picanso and Thaly Sok from Raymond, Brianna Giorgi, Ryan Higgins, Kevin Kimball and Matthew Law from Sanborn. MID students included: Bryn Adler, Anton Capria, Matthew Coffey, Jessie Hett, Andrew Neville and Jenny Sinclair from Exeter. PM students included: Amanda Menard and Miranda Murphy from Epping, Shawn Bambushew, Kaitlin Hall, Nicole Knight, Chelsea Langton, Leah Rice, Emily Richards and Kathryn Sarhanis from Exeter.

FFA STUDENTS FARE WELL AT NATIONAL CONVENTION

Isagani Kimball, of Exeter, received a \$250 scholarship for placing 13th in the country in Agricultural Mechanics. The Agricultural Mechanics Career Development Event (CDE) is sponsored by the FFA and the Firestone Agricultural Division. Isagani plans to further his education in the field of mathematics and engineering.

Participants in other CDEs received the following: Agricultural Issues, Team Bronze, Krystal Earle from Winnacunnet and 2005 graduates Mike Diamond, Steve St. Hilaire from Raymond and Corey Jackson from Sanborn; Horse Judging, Team Bronze, Silver Individual Awards to Mary Prescott and Jackie Ferro '05 of Epping, Bronze Individual Awards to Jessalyn Durgin '05 of Raymond and Sarah Carmody '05 from Exeter, Agricultural Mechanics, Team Silver, Gold Individual Award to Isagani Kimball, Silver Individual Awards to Andrew Clough of Epping and Brian Chaput of Winnacunnet, Bronze Individual Award to Jay Rice of Epping.

HEALTH SCIENCES STUDENTS ATTEND HOSA RALLY

On November 2, 36 Health Science Technology students attended the New Hampshire HOSA Fall Rally held in Concord. SST students were among 500 attending from all parts of the state participating in workshops, listening to speakers and networking with other HOSA students. Our students are looking forward to the State Leadership Conference in March held in Nashua.

CULINARY ARTS STUDENTS COOKING UP A STORM

Culinary Arts (CA) students would like to invite parents from all programs to Julia's Restaurant, which is open to the public each Thursday from 12:00-1:00 p.m. In response to the overwhelming popularity of Julia's lunches, Ben Chesley of Newmarket, led the Culinary Arts team during their first "evening venture" to a sellout crowd. Nearly 75% of all CA students volunteered to work/learn the event. Other special events put on by CA include a wedding, a hunter's game dinner, the Business Roundtable and a Superintendent's breakfast. Seniors recently worked with teachers from the Seacoast area combining the history of food with a live demonstration and lecture.

STUDENT NEWSLETTER COMING

Be on the lookout for another SST newsletter – this time it is for students! With the leadership of Meghan Emmons, a Marketing Education student from Sanborn, a student-based and student-run newsletter should see its first publication in December. Does your child wonder what students in other SST classes are doing? This newsletter will help to bridge the gap between classes at SST and answer those questions.

47 COLLEGES ATTEND SST COLLEGE FAIR

The SST corridors were crowded on November 16! Forty-seven colleges attended the 10th annual SST College Fair. Students from all programs had the opportunity to meet and question college representatives. It was a very exciting and positive day for the students, many of whom identified colleges they might like to attend. The College Fair is part of the career planning process each SST student completes. It is helpful to sophomores and juniors as they begin to define their goals and to seniors as they narrow their decisions about life after SST. January 6 is an important date for seniors. The Senior Scholarship Assembly is held that day and students will learn information about the availability of scholarships and the planning for the financial piece of college. Any parents or seniors with questions about this process are encouraged to call Principal Nancy Pierce at 775-8463.

SST MIDTERM EXAM SCHEDULE – DECEMBER 2005
EXAM DATES: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20 AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

All midterm exams will take place during the regularly scheduled SST classes on these days. Students are expected to be present except for emergency situations.

Final exams will be administered to ALL students in ALL programs during the scheduled time unless otherwise approved by the SST principal.

All teachers are asked to post a copy of this information sheet in his/her classroom(s).

Failure by a student to appear for any exam will result in a “0” on such exam. If a student is late for an exam, such student must secure an admission slip from the SST Office PRIOR to appearing in the classroom. The students will NOT be granted additional exam time unless approved on the admission slip from the office. An unexcused absence from any exam shall be considered a cut.

Exams are to be a test of the semester’s work.

A copy of any exam to be administered shall be filed with the SST Principal no later than December 13, 2005.

The midterm exam will be weighted to account for 10% of the final grade.

The school day for teachers and students shall be the normal day unless otherwise approved by the SST Principal.

No student may be released from an exam room until the end of the exam period. Teachers are to use discretion in case of illness or disruption. The store will be closed.

Field trips and other activities which would remove a student from class (with the exception of illness) will not be approved on these dates.

Unless otherwise approved by the SST Principal, each student shall take an exam on the date(s) designated in the Exam Schedule.

Any legitimate student absence (e.g. illness) must be reported to the SST Office in writing by a parent or via telephone by a parent (775-8461) at least 30 minutes PRIOR to the start of the designated exam time.

Students may not be in a corridor during exam periods. It is expected that students will show courtesy to other students and in no way disrupt the exam periods. Any disruption will be considered grounds for suspension.

Students from other schools may not visit during exam days.

In the event of a school cancellation, the exam schedule will resume at the point of disruption.